

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 974

By Kilby

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Madison Mae
Branstetter, 2008 Valedictorian of Central High
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Madison Mae Branstetter is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Branstetter has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Madison has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her status as a stellar scholar, this exceptional young woman has earned numerous other accolades, including the Outstanding Lutheran Award, the World History Award, the German I Award, the Chemistry II Award, the Geometry Award, the Character Athlete of the Week Award, and the AXA Academic Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Branstetter, a gifted athlete, played on the girls' basketball team, distinguishing herself as the team captain and recipient of the All-District and All-Regional Tournament Awards; and

WHEREAS, an esteemed leader among her peers, she has served with distinction as the Freshman Class President, the Sophomore Class Vice President, the Senior Class Vice President, a member of Student Council, a Fellowship of Christian Athletes Captain, St. Paul youth group President, and the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America Vice

President; she further served as the People to People Sports Ambassador to New Zealand and Australia; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs, Madison has been a member of several academic, social, and civic organizations, including the 4-H Club and the Parliamentary Procedure Team; and

WHEREAS, she has evidenced a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age, and she volunteers her time and considerable talents to worthy causes; she volunteers as a youth soccer coach, vacation Bible school assistant, Sunday school teacher, 4-H day camp teen leader, Morgan County basketball camp staff member, and Joe Coyne Speed and Agility Camp staff member; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Branstetter's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Madison's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Mitchell and Margie Branstetter, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Branstetter's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Central High School Valedictorian, Madison Mae Branstetter, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.